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SUBJECT: KING'S OCTOBER 23 SPEECH TO "SAHARAN SUBJECTS"

1. AS BILLED, KING'S SIXTEEN MINUTE OCT 23 SPEECH WAS ADDRESSED
MOSTLY TO SAHARANS, ALTHOUGH THERE WERE A FEW MESSAGES FOR
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INTERESTED BYSTANDERS. SPEECH WAS HEAVILY LACED WITH REFERENCES TO AND QUOTES FROM KORAN. ALTHOUGH LEFT UNSAID, KING'S SPIRITUAL ROLE OF COMMANDER OF FAITHFUL PLAYED BIG PART IN HIS APPEAL. THEME OF ALLEGIANCE LINKED TO THOSE PORTIONS OF ICJ OPINION FAVORABLE TO MOROCCO. TO FURTHER JUSTIFY CLAIMS OF MOROCCAN SULTANS ON SAHARANS' ALLEGIANCE, KING CITED ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE OF SAHARANS TO RETURN OF HIS FATHER, MOHAMED V, FROM EXILE IN 1955. IN SEVERAL OBLIQUE WAYS, HE INDICATED HIS INTENTION TO PROCEED WITH PLANS FOR "PEACEFUL MARCH", (NO DATE GIVEN) AND HE CALLED ON OBSERVERS NOT TO "POLLUTE" MARCH BY ATTRIBUTING POLITICAL MOTIVES TO IT.

2. IN LINCOLNESQUE APPEAL TO SAHARA INDEPENDENCE GROUPS, HE PLEDGED ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS "FORGIVENESS" TO THOSE WHO ACCEPT HIS AUTHORITY. DURING COURSE OF ONE SUCH APPEAL HE WARNED SAHARANS AGAINST THOSE WHOM HE REFERRED TO AS "FOREIGNERS SFD ENEMIES" WHO ARE ATTEMPTING "SUBDIVIDE" SAHARAN RANKS "BY TALK OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION". HE SAID THEY HAD BEEN VICTIMS OF "TRICKS AND FALLACIES". THERE WERE, HOWEVER, NO THREATS TO ANYONE IN SPEECH. "OUR INTENTIONS ARE PACIFIC AND WE WILL COME TO YOU WITH OUR HAND OUTSTRETCHED AND HEART OPEN AND FORGIVING".
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